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Please find attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

## Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) -- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address - The amendment document filed on 01 February, 2007 is considered non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121 or 1.4. In order for the amendment document to be compliant, correction of the following

| item(s) is required.  |  |
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| THE FOLLOWING MARKED (X) ITEM(S) CAUSE THE AMENDMENT DOCUMENT TO BE NON-COMPLIANT:  1. Amendments to the specification:  A. Amended paragraph(s) do not include markings.  B. New paragraph(s) should not be underlined.  C. Other  |  |
| <ul> <li>2. Abstract:</li> <li>A. Not presented on a separate sheet. 37 CFR 1.72.</li> <li>B. Other</li> </ul>  |  |
| <ul> <li>3. Amendments to the drawings:</li> <li>A. The drawings are not properly identified in the top margin as "Replacement Sheet," "New Sheet," or "Annotated Sheet" as required by 37 CFR 1.121(d).</li> <li>B. The practice of submitting proposed drawing correction has been eliminated. Replacement drawings showing amended figures, without markings, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 are required.</li> <li>C. Other</li> </ul>  |  |
| <ul> <li>✓ 4. Amendments to the claims:</li> <li>☐ A. A complete listing of all of the claims is not present.</li> <li>☐ B. The listing of claims does not include the text of all pending claims (including withdrawn claims)</li> <li>☐ C. Each claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each claim cannot be identified. Note: the status of every claim must be indicated after its claim number by using one of the following status identifiers: (Original), (Currently amended), (Previously presented), (New), (Not entered), (Withdrawn) and (Withdrawn-currently amended).</li> <li>☐ D. The claims of this amendment paper have not been presented in ascending numerical order.</li> <li>☑ E. Other: Signature is missing.</li> </ul> |  |

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of the amendment format required by 37 CFR 1.121, see MPEP § 714.

1. Applicant is given **no new time period** if the non-compliant amendment is an after-final amendment or an amendment filed after allowance, or a drawing submission (only) If applicant wishes to resubmit the non-compliant after-final amendment with corrections, the **entire corrected amendment** must be resubmitted.

☑ 5. Other (e.g., the amendment is unsigned or not signed in accordance with 37 CFR 1.4): For further explanation

2. Applicant is given **one month**, or thirty (30) days, whichever is longer, from the mail date of this notice to supply the correction, if the non-compliant amendment is one of the following: a preliminary amendment, a non-final amendment (including a submission for a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114), a supplemental amendment filed within a suspension period under 37 CFR 1.103(a) or (c), and an amendment filed in response to a Quayle action. If any of above boxes 1 to 4 are checked, the correction required is only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121.

<u>Extensions of time</u> are available under 37 CFR 1.136(a) <u>only</u> if the non-compliant amendment is a non-final amendment or an amendment filed in response to a *Quayle* action.

Failure to timely respond to this notice will result in:

**Abandonment** of the application if the non-compliant amendment is a non-final amendment or an amendment filed in response to a *Quayle* action; or

**Non-entry** of the amendment if the non-compliant amendment is a preliminary amendment or supplemental amendment.

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